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For: LAK ACTIVITY ENHANCERS DERIVED FROM  
EXTRACT OF LENTINUS EDODES MYCELIUM  
AND LAK ACTIVITY-ENHANCING  
FORMULATIONS CONTAINING THE EXTRACT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Before line 1, insert --This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP99/06616 which has an International filing date of November 26, 1999, which designated the United States of America and was not published in English.